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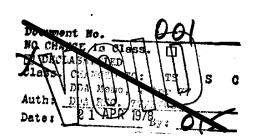
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refers to a demand made by the Soviets to the Czechoslovak Economic Delagation to the USSR in early October "that the industrial resources of Czechoslovakia be marshalled immediately for the soonest possible delivery of 100,000 tons of piping to the USSR. Further commercial negotiations were to be suspended pending a promise from Czechoslovakia that the required amount would be produced and delivered."

- ı. The Czechoslovak Cabinet is urging the industry of Czechoslovakia to produce and deliver to the USSR the greatest possible amount of piping. However, it is generally recognized that even ten percent of the Russian demand is the most that can be furnished.
- 2. Loebl, the Communist heading the Economic Delegation to Russia, has reported that he was badly treated in Moscow by Mikoyan, who treatened not to deliver the wheat already promised to Czechoslovakia by the USSR unless the piping is forthcoming.



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